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Form BC 126

June 1954

OFFICIAL NO. 1782

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

FREQUENCY MODULATION

SEE CARD #2

WANJ (EFF. 12-15-80)

XW T R F (EFF: 3-1-72)

Date first licensed November 19, 1965

Call letters XW T R F-FM

WEST VIRGINIA BROADCASTING, INC. (ALH10-28-80, EFF: 12-15-80) Station location WHEELING, W. VA.

\* FORWARD BROADCASTING, INC. (AL4-29-80, EFF: 5-31-80)

\* FORWARD TELE-PRODUCTIONS, INC. (ALH 2-28-69, Eff: 4-8-69)

Name of licensee xWTRF-TV, INC.

Transmitter location R. D. 1, Kirkwood Hghts., Bridgeport, Ohio (PH 2-28-64)(LH 11-19-65)

98 Sixteenth Street, Wheeling, West Virginia (LETER - 12-15-80)

x96 16th St., Wheeling, West Va. (Ltr. 3-7-69)

x1329 Market St., Wheeling, W. Va. (Redesc. (LH 11-19-65))

Main studio location xR. D. 1, Kirkwood Hghts., Bridgeport, Ohio (PH 2-28-64)

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# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
BPH-3978 HAAT:910'	2-28-64	107.5mc	ERP:11kw Ch.#298 TPO:3.9kw	Unl.	4-28-64 10-28-64
<u>CP for a new FM (Class B) broadcast station.</u>					
BMPH-7995 (1)	10-28-64	Mod of CP(BPH-3978) to extend completion date to 4-28-65			
BMPH-8121 (2)	1-19-65	Mod. of CP(BPH-3978, as mod.) to chg. type trans. (Collins 830F-1A) & type ant. (Collins 37M-4/300C-4, 4 hor. & 4 vert. secs.); incr. TPO to 8.3kw & ERP to 12.5kw(H)&11kw(V); and decr. HAAT			
BMPH-8235 (3)	4-20-65	Mod. of CP(BPH-3978, as mod.) to ext. completion date to 10-28-65			
BMPH-8258 (4)	4-30-65	Mod. of CP(BPH-3978, as mod.) to chg. type trans. (Gates FM-10G) & type ant. (Gates FMA-4B/300-4B, 4 hor. & 4 vert. secs.); and decr. TPO to 7.4kw			
BLH-3032 HAAT:870' (h) 910' (v)	11-19-65	107.5mc.	ERP:12.5kw(h) Ch.#298 TPO:7.4 kw. 11kw.(v)		11-19-65 10-1-66
Lic. to op(BPH-3978 as mod.) which auth. a new FM broadcast station, specify studio loc. as 1329 Market St., Wheeling, W. Va., and specify type trans (Gates-FMS-LOG)					
BRH-1782	9-1-66	Renewal of license			10-1-69
BALH-1137	2-28-69	Vol. ALH			
Ltr.	3-7-69	Studio: 96 16th St., Wheeling, W. Va.			
BRH-1782(L)	9-25-69	Renewal of license			10-1-72
BTC-6699	12-6-71	VOL. TC			
FBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-1782(S)	10-27-72	RENEWAL			10-1-75
BRH-1782(S)	9-12-75	Renewal of license			10-1-78
BRH-1782(L)	9-14-78	Renewal of License			10-1-81
BSCA790604AB	8/3/79	SCA			10/1/81
BALH800403GS	4-29-80	VOL AL.		EFF:	5-31-80



# BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

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First licensed .....

Call Letters .. **WTRF** .....

Station Location .....

Name .. ☒ **FORWARD BROADCASTING, INC. (AL4-29-80, EFF:5-31-80)** .....

Transmitter Location .....

Main studio location .....



# Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BTCH800603EG	7 <sup>24</sup> -80	VOL-TCH	EFF: 9-19-80
BALH800811EH	10-28-80	VOL ALH	EFF: 12-15-80
E B S A	12-15-80	CALL SIGN CHANGE	
LETTER	12-15-80	SL & RC now loc. at: 98 Sixteenth Street, Wheeling, West Virginia	



FORM BC-121  
AUG. 1955

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters new W T R F-FM

Name WTRF-TV, INC. 1329 Market Street  
WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA (P.O. Robert W. Ferguson, Ogden Bldg., Wheeling, W. Va.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-3978	12-21-62	CP for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 107.5mc CH 298 ERP 11.22kw Type Antenna - Jampro JA-4 (4 sections) HAAT 907 feet Type transmitter - ITA-FM-5000A TPO 3.92kw Trans. location - R. D. 1 Kirkwood Hgts. Bridgeport, Ohio (Same as WTRF-TV) Studio location - Same as transmitter  Atty. Dow, Lohnes and Albertson Eng. Silliman, Moffet & Kowalski	GRANTED	2-28-64
Rec'd	12-21-62			
Filed	12-21-62			



FORM BC-121 #2  
Aug. 1955

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WTRF-FM

Name WTRF-TV, INC.

WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-7995 R&F	10-6-64 10-7-64	Mod of CP (BPH-3978 which auth a new FM B/C station) for ext of comple date from 10-28-64 to _____  Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED to	10-28-64 4-28-65
BMPH-8121 Received Filed	11-5-64 11-6-64 12-17-64	Modification of CP (BPH-3978 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) to change type trans (Collins-803F-1A); change horizontal ant (Collins-37M-4, 4 sections); install new vertical polarized ant (Collins-300C-4, 4 sections); increase ERP to 12.74kw(horizontal) and 11.22kw(vertical); decrease HAAT to 867' (horizontal) and 907'(vertical); and increase TPO to 8.28kw.  Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	1-19-65



FORM BC-121 #3  
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WTRF-FM

Name WTRF-TV, INC.  
WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-8235 R&F	3-29-65 3-31-65	Modification of CP (BPH-3978 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 4-28-65 to 10-65.  Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED  to	4-20-65  10-28-65
BMPH-8258 R&F	4-12-65 4-15-65	Modification of CP (BPH-3978 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) to decrease TPO to 7.359kw, change type trans (Gates-FM-10G); and change ant (Gates-FMA-4B/300-4B, 4 horizontal and 4 vertical sections).  Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	4-30-65
BLH-3032 R & F  PTA 10-22-65	10/11/65 10/12/65	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3978 as mod.) which auth. a new FM broadcast station, specify studio loc. as 1329 Market St., Wheeling, W. Va., and specify trans as Gates-FMS-10G.  Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	11-19-65



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W T R F-FM

FORWARD TELE-PRODUCTIONS, INC.

Name

X WTRF-TV, INC.

Wheeling, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1782 R & F	6-21-66 6-28-66	Renewal of license Atty- Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	9-1-66
<del>BALH-1137</del> R & F FEE PD: \$75	<del>8-9-68</del> 8-12-68 -#450835	<del>Voluntary assignment of license to</del> <del>FORWARD TELE-PRODUCTIONS, INC.</del>  Atty for assignor - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson for assignee - McKenna & Wilkinson	<del>GRANTED</del> Condition (Re Docket No. 18110) ff: 4-8-69	<del>2-28-69</del>
AUG 20 1968 Pub. notice filed 9-3-68 LTR AMENDMENT filed 10-4-68 - will accept grant of TV subject to condition (re DOCKET 18110) Statement filed 11-6-68 re market for FM				
BRH-1782 R & F #526062 \$75. P.N. filed PRESS	6-26-69 7-1-69 7-1-69 7-1-69	Renewal of license Atty-Dow, Lohnes & Albertson (B. Dwight Perry). AMENDED 7-23-69 re: Power & station location	GRANTED	9-25-69
3-24-71 Annual filing fee \$19.00 paid 9-30-70. #633334. 8-4-71. BY COMMISSION LETTER granted WAIVER of "One-to-a-Market" Rule. Item 5, AL-TC.				



Re: BRH-1782-Sect. I, Para. 1.(pwr in kw)incorrect - called  
atty 7-22-69 for amend. also city and state not ans.



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

107.5mc

Call W T R F  
Letters XW T R F-FM

Name FORWARD TELE-PRODUCTIONS, INC.  
Wheeling, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-6699 R & F FEE PD: \$250 #011990 (FORM 316) CODE 054 ALSO SEE: KVGB(AM) ETC OCT 2 1971	10-8-71 10-14-71	Voluntary transfer of control of Forward Communications Corporation(parent corp) from The Record Herald Company, O.C. Lemke, et al, TO John C. Sturtevant, William F. McCormick, and Stanley F. Staples, Jr., Voting Trustees  Atty - McKenna & Wilkinson	GRANTED	12-6-71
BRH-1782 R & F PN PRESS AUG 2 1972	6-1-72 6-30-72 6-30-72	Renewal of License  Atty - Thomas N. Frohock	GRANTED	10-27-72
BRH-1782 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JUN 23 1975	5-6-75 6-2-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Thos.N.Frohock,Atty.	GRANTED	9-12-75



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May 1976

10-65

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters **W T R F****FORWARD BROADCASTING, INC.**Name **FORWARD TELE-PRODUCTIONS, INC.**  
**WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1782 R & F PRESS	5-18-78 5-31-78  JUL 7 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	9-14-78
BSCA790604AR PRESS (0)	JUL 9 1979	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a Subcarrier Frequency of 67 Kiloherzt.  Atty. Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	8/3/79
BALH800403GS FORM 316 press	3-27-80  APR 22 1980	Vol. AL and SCA to FORWARD BROADCASTING, INC.  Atty - Thomas Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson, etc.)	GRANTED EFF:	4-29-80 5-31-80



## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

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Call Letters ~~X~~ WTRF

#7 WEST VIRGINIA BROADCASTING, INC.

Name ~~ex~~ FORWARD BROADCASTING, INC.

Station Location: Wheeling, West Virginia

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BTCH800603FG Form 316 PRESS JUL 3 1980 PN filed 9-3-80		Voluntary transfer of lic corp from Forward Communications Corporation to William F. McCormick, Stanley F. Staples, Jr., and Richard D. Dudley, Trustees  Atty-Thomas N. Frohock	GRANTED 7-24-80  EFF: 9-19-80
BALH800811FH FORM 314 PRESS PN FILED SEP 17 1980		Voluntary AL to West Virginia Broadcasting, Inc. Aty: Assignor: Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson) Assignee: Peter Tannewald (Arent, Fox) AMENDED 8-12-80 re: Loan commitment letter.  (over)	GRANTED 10-28-80 EFF: 12-15-80



BTCH800603FG AMENDED 6-30-80 re: Letter agreement (  
Letter of Intent)

BALH-800811FH Amended 10-2-80 Re: (assignor) Asset Purchase agreement, Exhibit 5, amended the List of assets attached to Exhibit A.

AMENDED 10-23-80 re: (Assignee) Exhibit 4, Revised Financial Qualifications



## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WANJ

Name: WEST VIRGINIA BROADCASTING, INC.

Station Location: WHEELING, W. VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRH81060118 PRESS	AUG 19 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Peter Tannenwald	GRANTED 10-22-81



## About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

